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In re Patent Application of:
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For: DEVICE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF
ANASTOMOSES BETWEEN HOLLOW
ORGANS

Examiner: D. P. Erez

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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Applicant has become aware of the following document during the prosecution of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-561435, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and hereby submits this document for the Examiner's consideration. This document is

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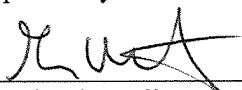
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